

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David L. Patton, et al

METHOD FOR MARKING GEMSTONES WITH A UNIQUE MICRO DISCRETE INDICIA

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Preliminary Amendment

In response to the Advisory Action dated February 11, 2005,

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 20f this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.